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Office Action Summary

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 March 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 4-10, 12-16, 19-25, 27-31, 34-40 and 42-51 is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 4-10, 12-16, 19-25, 27-31, 34-40 and 42-51 is/are rejected.

- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsman's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office action is in response to the amendment filed on March 3, 2009, entered by the RCE filed on the same date.
2. **Claims 1, 4-10, 12-16, 19-25, 27-31, 34-40, and 42-51** are pending.
3. **Claims 1, 4, 16, 19, 31, and 34** have been amended.
4. **Claims 2, 3, 11, 17, 18, 26, 32, 33, and 41** have been canceled.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

5. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on March 3, 2009 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. **Claims 1, 4-10, 12-16, 19-25, 27-31, 34-40, and 42-51** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,925,631 (hereinafter “Golden”) in view of US 6,754,659 (hereinafter “Sarkar”) and US 2003/0158832 (hereinafter “Sijacic”).

As per **Claim 1**, Golden discloses:

- creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”);
- registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, “The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface.”);
- parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, “Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a “taglet”. As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet’s children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet’s run () method is invoked.”); and
- automatically generating output code using the invoked event handler (see Column 14: 45-46, “... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.”; Column 17: 25-38, “FIG. 7 illustrates examples in which the above-described embodiments are used for

transforming an XML input stream into a different output stream.” and “The XBF engine 13 processes the XML input document 14 as described in the context of FIGS. 5 and 6, using bindings 12 which define the mapping between tags in the XML input document 14 and classes (e.g. JAVA classes), which give “behavior” to the tags. In one the examples depicted in FIG. 7, the “behavior” is the translation of the XML input document 14 into a HTML output document 50.”).

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class;
- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter; and
- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class (*see Column 6: 50-55, “Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701 retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls.” It is inherent that the generic EJB includes at least one input class.*); and

- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter (*see Column 5: 58-64, "To create the code for the generic EJB, all the programmer needs to know are the classes of the support code to be generated (in this example, described in more detail below, the classes are an "Access Bean class," the "properties class," and the "helper class"); the programmer can then define the generic EJB to perform reflection on these classes in a known manner."*; *Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable."* and *8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class; and introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter. The modification would be obvious because one of

ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (*see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13*).

Sijacic discloses:

- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (*see Paragraph [0119], “Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity’s appearance in the process builder 391.”*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sijacic into the teaching of Golden to include automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (*see Golden – Column 3: 40-48*).

As per **Claim 4**, the rejection of **Claim 3** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (*see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, “FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.”*).

As per **Claim 5**, the rejection of **Claim 4** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup

Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”).

As per **Claim 7**, the rejection of **Claim 1** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in the markup language

description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, “FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to “init” methods at the start-tags and to “run” methods at the end-tags.”).

As per **Claim 8**, the rejection of **Claim 7** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX

parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”).

As per **Claim 9**, the rejection of **Claim 8** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the markup language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."*).

As per **Claim 10**, the rejection of **Claim 9** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (*see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15."; Column 18: 12-13, "If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel."*).

As per **Claim 12**, the rejection of **Claim 10** is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (*see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java*

class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”); and

- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (*see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”).*

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (*see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13*).

As per **Claim 13**, the rejection of **Claim 12** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (*see Figure 1*;

Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per **Claim 14**, the rejection of **Claim 13** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags.").

As per **Claim 16**, Golden discloses:

- a processor operable to execute computer program instructions (see Column 7: 34-35, "... a computer system 10 with a processing unit and storage 11 for processing programs.");
- a memory operable to store computer program instructions executable by the processor (see Column 7: 34-35, "... a computer system 10 with a processing unit and storage 11 for processing programs."); and
- computer program instructions stored in the memory and executable (see Column 6: 25-28, "The disclosed embodiments of the computer program product comprise the disclosed program code which, for example, is stored on a computer-readable data carrier ...") to perform the steps of:

- creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the *org.sax.Parser* interface. The event handler interface *DocumentHandler* is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”);

- registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, “The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the *org.sax.Parser* interface.”);

- parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, “Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a “taglet”. As will be explained in more detail below, a *init ()* method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's *run ()* method is invoked.”); and

- automatically generating output code using the invoked event handler (see Column 14: 45-46, “... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.”; Column 17: 25-38, “FIG. 7 illustrates examples in which the above-described embodiments are used for transforming an XML input stream into a different output stream.” and “The XBF engine 13 processes the XML input document 14 as described in the context of FIGS. 5 and 6, using bindings 12 which define the mapping between tags in the XML input document 14 and classes (e.g. JAVA classes), which give “behavior” to the tags. In one the examples depicted in FIG. 7,

the "behavior" is the translation of the XML input document 14 into a HTML output document 50. ").

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class;
- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter; and
- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class (*see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701 retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls." It is inherent that the generic EJB includes at least one input class.*); and
- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter (*see Column 5: 58-64, "To create the code for the generic EJB, all the programmer needs to know are the classes of the support code*

to be generated (in this example, described in more detail below, the classes are an "Access Bean class," the "properties class," and the "helper class"); the programmer can then define the generic EJB to perform reflection on these classes in a known manner.”; Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class; and introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

Sijacic discloses:

- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Paragraph [0119], “Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML

description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity's appearance in the process builder 391. ").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sijacic into the teaching of Golden to include automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (*see Golden – Column 3: 40-48*).

As per **Claim 19**, the rejection of **Claim 18** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (*see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order."*).

As per **Claim 20**, the rejection of **Claim 19** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the*

org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”).

As per **Claim 31**, Golden discloses:

- a computer readable medium (see Column 6: 25-28, “... a computer-readable data carrier ...”); and
- computer program instructions, recorded on the computer readable medium, executable by a processor, (see Column 6: 25-28, “The disclosed embodiments of the computer program product comprise the disclosed program code which, for example, is stored on a computer-readable data carrier ...”) for performing the steps of:
 - creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”);
 - registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, “The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface.”);
 - parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, “Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a “taglet”. As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the

taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.”); and

- automatically generating output code using the invoked event handler (*see Column 14: 45-46, “... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.”; Column 17: 25-38, “FIG. 7 illustrates examples in which the above-described embodiments are used for transforming an XML input stream into a different output stream.” and “The XBF engine 13 processes the XML input document 14 as described in the context of FIGS. 5 and 6, using bindings 12 which define the mapping between tags in the XML input document 14 and classes (e.g. JAVA classes), which give “behavior” to the tags. In one the examples depicted in FIG. 7, the “behavior” is the translation of the XML input document 14 into a HTML output document 50.”).*

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class;
- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter; and
- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class (see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701 retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls." It is inherent that the generic EJB includes at least one input class.); and

- introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter (see Column 5: 58-64, "To create the code for the generic EJB, all the programmer needs to know are the classes of the support code to be generated (in this example, described in more detail below, the classes are an "Access Bean class," the "properties class," and the "helper class"); the programmer can then define the generic EJB to perform reflection on these classes in a known manner."; Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file includes at least one input class;

and introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class by extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (*see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13*).

Sijacic discloses:

- automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (*see Paragraph [0119], “Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity's appearance in the process builder 391.”*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sijacic into the teaching of Golden to include automatically generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (*see Golden – Column 3: 40-48*).

As per **Claim 34**, the rejection of **Claim 33** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (*see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order."*).

As per **Claim 35**, the rejection of **Claim 34** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 37**, the rejection of **Claim 31** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in the markup language description (*see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags."*).

As per **Claim 38**, the rejection of **Claim 37** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 39**, the rejection of **Claim 38** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the markup language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."*).

As per **Claim 40**, the rejection of **Claim 39** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (*see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15."; Column 18: 12-13, "If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel."*).

As per **Claim 42**, the rejection of **Claim 40** is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (*see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.";*); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (*see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.";*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious

because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

As per **Claim 43**, the rejection of **Claim 42** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, “FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.”).

As per **Claim 44**, the rejection of **Claim 43** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, “FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to “init” methods at the start-tags and to “run” methods at the end-tags.”).

As per **Claim 46**, the rejection of **Claim 5** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (see Column 9: 37-41, “The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the

org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per **Claim 6**, the rejection of **Claim 46** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per **Claim 47**, the rejection of **Claim 20** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per **Claim 21**, the rejection of **Claim 47** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application

Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."*).

As per **Claim 22**, the rejection of **Claim 21** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible

Markup Language description (*see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags."*).

As per **Claim 23**, the rejection of **Claim 22** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX*

parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event

handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.”).

As per **Claim 24**, the rejection of **Claim 23** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, “Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a “taglet”. As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet’s children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet’s run () method is invoked.”).*

As per **Claim 25**, the rejection of **Claim 24** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (*see Column 14: 45-46, “... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.”; Column 18: 12-13, “If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel.”).*

As per **Claim 27**, the rejection of **Claim 25** is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sarkar into the teaching of Golden to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

As per **Claim 28**, the rejection of **Claim 27** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- automatically generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the automatically generated information relating to the input class (*see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order."*).

As per **Claim 29**, the rejection of **Claim 28** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags."*).

As per **Claim 48**, the rejection of **Claim 35** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 36**, the rejection of **Claim 48** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application

Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."*).

As per **Claim 49**, the rejection of **Claim 44** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for

Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 45**, the rejection of **Claim 49** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application

Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of

Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."*).

As per **Claim 50**, the rejection of **Claim 14** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 15**, the rejection of **Claim 50** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is*

bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."

As per **Claim 51**, the rejection of **Claim 29** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in the Extensible Markup Language description (*see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream."*).

As per **Claim 30**, the rejection of **Claim 51** is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the Extensible Markup Language description using a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (*see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the*

taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.”).

Response to Arguments

8. Applicant's arguments filed on March 3, 2009 have been fully considered, but they are not persuasive.

In the Remarks, Applicant argues:

a) Rather, the Examiner cites Sarkar at col. 6, line 66 to col. 7, line 4 as disclosing this requirement. However, as disclosed by Sarkar, JAVA class introspection is performed to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable. First, the introspection performed by Sarkar does not automatically generate information relating to an input class in an archive file, but rather obtains information for the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not part of the input class, but rather is part of an associated helper class (col. 6, lines 45-47). Thus, Sarkar does not disclose or suggest introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class. Second, for this helper object, Sarkar only discloses retrieving the static variable of properties object C1 and obtaining the name of the helper object to instantiate to process object C1. This is different than the requirement of the claims to extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter. Sarkar does not disclose or suggest extracting information

identifying methods included in the input class because Sarkar only discloses identifying the name of the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not included in the input class. Further, Sarkar does not disclose or suggest extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter because Sarkar discloses identifying the name of the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not included in the input class and further, is not a name or type of a parameter of a method, and because Sarkar discloses retrieving the static variable of properties object C1, which also is not included in the input class, and in any case, is not a name or a type of a parameter of a method included in the input class.

Examiner's response:

a) Examiner disagrees. Applicant's arguments are not persuasive for at least the following reasons:

First, with respect to the Applicant's assertion that the introspection performed by Sarkar does not automatically generate information relating to an input class in an archive file, but rather obtains information for the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not part of the input class, but rather is part of an associated helper class, as previously pointed out in the Non-Final Rejection (mailed on 11/28/2007) and the Final Rejection (mailed on 09/03/2008) and further clarified hereinafter, the Examiner respectfully submits that Sarkar clearly discloses "introspecting an input class included in the archive file to automatically generate information relating to the input class" (see Column 5: 58-64, "To create the code for the generic EJB, all the programmer needs to know are the classes of the support code to be generated (in this example,

described in more detail below, the classes are an "Access Bean class," the "properties class," and the "helper class"); the programmer can then define the generic EJB to perform reflection on these classes in a known manner.”; Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”). Note that the generic EJB uses Java™ introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and the main execution method of the helper object (information relating to the input class). Those of ordinary skill in the art would readily comprehend that an object is an instance of a class and hence, the helper object is an instance of the helper class.

Second, with respect to the Applicant’s assertion that Sarkar does not disclose or suggest extracting information identifying methods included in the input class because Sarkar only discloses identifying the name of the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not included in the input class, the Examiner respectfully submits that Sarkar clearly discloses “extracting information identifying methods included in the input class” (*see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the*

properties object C1 as an argument.”). Note that the generic EJB uses Java™ introspection/reflection to retrieve the main execution method of the helper object (information identifying methods included in the input class).

Third, with respect to the Applicant’s assertion that Sarkar does not disclose or suggest extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter because Sarkar discloses identifying the name of the helper object, which, as disclosed by Sarkar, is not included in the input class and further, is not a name or type of a parameter of a method, and because Sarkar discloses retrieving the static variable of properties object C1, which also is not included in the input class, and in any case, is not a name or a type of a parameter of a method included in the input class, the Examiner respectfully submits that Sarkar clearly discloses “for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method including at least a name and a type of each parameter” (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, “Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable.” and 8-11, “At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.”). Note that the generic EJB uses Java™ introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 (at least a name and a type of each parameter) as well as the main execution method of the helper object. The main execution method of the helper object is then invoked and the static variable of properties object C1 is passed in as an argument (information relating to parameters of the method).

Therefore, for at least the reasons set forth above, the rejections made under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Claims 1, 16, and 31 are proper and therefore, maintained.

Conclusion

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Qing Chen whose telephone number is 571-270-1071. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The Examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Wei Zhen, can be reached on 571-272-3708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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